Export Promotion Bodies

2285. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state the names of the various semi-Government or aided or sponsored export promotion bodies or organisations alongwith their functions, working and Government control for their effective working?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): A Statement containing list of various Export Promotion Bodies/Organisations under the control of the Ministry of Commerce is attached.

The Public Undertakings included in category 'A' of the list are generally engaged in exports. But some of them, like the STC, MMTC and the Cashew Corporation have also been entrusted with the responsibility of importing canalised items. While the Trade Fair Authority of India is a nodal agency for organising exhibitions in India and abroad, Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India provides facilities of export credit insurance cover for exports.

Export Promotion Councils and other bodies mentioned in category 'B' of the list are by and large service-oriented organisations, some of which provide research and training facilities.

The Commodity Boards and other authorities help not only in export of products but also are responsible for regulatory functions and development of products of their concern.

Government Officials are nominated on the various export promotion bodies and there is a constant dialogue between the export promotion bodies and concerned senior officers in the Commerce Ministry which help in the efficient working and management of these bodies.

Statement

Category—A: Public Sector Undertakings

1. State Trading Corporation of India Ltd., New Delhi.
2. Minerals and Metal Trading Corporation of India Ltd, New Delhi.
3. Projects and Equipments Corporation of India Ltd., New Delhi.
4. Mica Trading Corporation of India Ltd., Patna.
5. Trade Fair Authority of India Ltd., New Delhi.
6. Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India Ltd., Bombay.
7. Tea Trading Corporation of India Ltd., Calcutta.
8. Cashew Corporation of India Ltd., New Delhi.
9. Cardamom Trading Corporation of India Ltd., Bangalore.

Category—B: Aided/Sponsored Organisations

1. Engineering Export Promotion Council, Calcutta.
2. Overseas Construction Council of India, Bombay.
3. Basic Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export Promotion Council, Bombay.
4. Chemicals and Allied Products Export Promotion Council, Calcutta.
5. Plastic and Linoleums Export Promotion Council, Bombay.
6. Council for Leather Exports, Madras.
7. Sports Goods Export Promotion Council, New Delhi.
8. Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council, Bombay.
9. Shellac Export Promotion Council, Calcutta.

10. Spices Export Promotion Council, Cochin.

11. Cashew Export Promotion Council, Cochin.

12. Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council, Bombay.

13. Silk and Rayon Textiles Export Promotion Council, Bombay.

14. Indian Silk Export Promotion Council, Bombay.

15. Apparels Export Promotion Council, New Delhi.

16. Wool and Woollen Export Promotion Council, New Delhi.

17. Carpets Export Promotion Council, New Delhi.

18. Handloom Export Promotion Council, Madras.

19. Federation of Indian Export Organisations, New Delhi.

20. Indian Institute of Packaging, Bombay.

21. Indian Council of Arbitration, New Delhi.

22. Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi.

23. Trade Development Authority, New Delhi.

24. Indian Diamond Institute, Surat.

Category—C: Commodity Boards and Other Organisations

1. Tea Board, Calcutta.

2. Coffee Board, Bangalore.

3. Tobacco Board, Guntur.

4. Cardamom Baord, Cochin.

5. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), Cochin.

6. Agricultural and Processed Foods Export Development Authority, New Delhi.

7. Rubber Board, Kottayam.

8. Export Inspection Council, Calcutta.

Amount sanctioned to TIE India Ltd. by Canara Bank etc.

2286. SHRI NAND KISHORE BHATT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a 100 per cent export unit by the name and style, TIE India Limited has been financed by IFCI, ICICI, and Canara Bank; if so, what is the amount so sanctioned by each of them so far;

(b) whether the project was appraised on the strength of one of the most renowned industrial group, the Kedia Group and since when they have walked out of the projects, whether the financial institutions propose to make reappraisal; and

(c) whether financing such a project is not against the Government's declared policy for centralised purchase of Technology for PABX and PBEX?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) Industrial Credit & Investment Corporation of India (ICICI) have reported that they had made an appraisal of the export-oriented project of M/s. Tie India International Ltd. for the manufacture of PABX and allied systems before the policy regarding centralised purchase of technology for FABX was issued. ICCI and IFCI have subsequently cancelled the loan to the company on the company's request. Canara Bank in consortium with American Express International Banking Corporation are reported to have sanctioned certain credit facilities to M/s. Tie India International Ltd. The Banks consider the proposals for financing on the basis of their economic viability and technical feasibility.